Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The foundation of a humane and just society is the people's willingness to work together for the common good; and,

Whereas, Volunteerism historically reflects the highest values of our democratic society, in that regardless of the situation, station, age, race, creed, all may volunteer and thus reap the rich rewards that come from giving aid to others, while improving one's own skills and widening one's horizons; and,

Whereas, South Dakota's military families are willing and eager to volunteer and bring people together in response to our communities and nation's critical needs. While their service member is serving in response to our state and nation's call, the family serves at home helping ensure the mission is completed; and,

Whereas, South Dakota National Guard military families volunteerism demonstrates that it is possible to bring people together in response to our community's and country's critical needs; and,

Whereas, It is the duty of every citizen and leader to honor our dedicated military family volunteers and celebrate their contributions to the quality of life in not only South Dakota, but our nation:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 10-16, 2011, as

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in South Dakota and I urge all citizens to join me as we celebrate honoring our military families and their spirit of volunteerism.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-ninth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State